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COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

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Sir:

The applicants file this paper in response to the examiner's statement of reasons for allowance provided with the Notice of Allowance mailed November 28, 2005. The applicants respectfully request that the following comments be considered to clarify the examiner's general recitation of the elements of claims 10, 14, 15 and 16.

Regarding the examiner's general recitation of the elements, the applicants note that while the examiner has essentially paraphrased elements of independent claims 10, 14, 15 and 16, the applicants note that not all of the independent claims recite the same language. In fact, the applicants submit that claims 10, 14, 15 and 16 and the claims dependent thereon are patentable as including limitations other than the limitations that the examiner has paraphrased from claims 10, 14, 15 and 16. In any event, the applicants submit that each of claims 10-21 and 23-39 should be interpreted to include and should be construed to be limited only to the specific elements recited therein. These claims should not, therefore, be

limited in any manner based on the examiner's general recitation of elements of claims 10, 14, 15 and 16 within the examiner's statement of reasons for allowance.

In connection to the reasons for allowance set forth in the allowance papers that were mailed in connection with the present application, it is respectfully submitted that the claims are allowable for the additional reasons that the invention defined by the language of the claims is neither anticipated by, nor would have been obvious when taken as a whole in view of, the art of record.

Respectfully submitted,

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